

False ceiling of Karni Singh Shooting Range, Tughlakabad

1015. SHRIMATI SYEDA ANWARA TAIMUR:
SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that false-ceiling of Karni Singh Shooting Range at Tughlakabad has collapsed in spite of its having been repaired in 2003;

(b) if so, the persons responsible for this unsatisfactory state of affairs;

(c) whether our prospective medal winners in 2010 Commonwealth Games, be in a position to hold their practice sessions; and

(d) by when the entire Shooting Range would be in a perfect condition meeting the international standards for the 2010 Commonwealth Games?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) According to information provided by the Sports Authority of India (SAI), is not a fact that the false-ceiling of Karni Singh Shooting Range at Tughlakabad has collapsed. However, a few panels are not in good conditions and need to be replaced.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The Karni Singh Shooting Range would be renovated as per international standards before the 2010 Commonwealth Games.

Action Plan for the Commonwealth Games

1016. SHRI DARA SINGH: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any action plan has been chalked out by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports to coordinate as to how the Commonwealth Games would be organised in Delhi in 2010;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is a complete consensus to organize and run the Commonwealth Games between the Apex Committee, headed by Sports Minister, International Sports Division headed by the Joint Secretary of Ministry and the Organising Committee Chaired by President, IOA, especially over the finances; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Various institutional arrangements have been made to ensure proper planning and coordination in the preparation and organization of the Commonwealth Games, 2010. These include a Core Group of Ministers Chaired by the Minister for Human Resource Development for coordinating and taking decisions regarding various aspects related to the organization of the Games, an Apex Committee in the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports chaired by the Minister (Youth Affairs & Sports), a Committee of Secretaries headed by the Cabinet Secretary to monitor the implementation of the decisions of the Group of Ministers and other related matters, and an Organizing Committee for the conduct of the Games headed by the President, Indian Olympic Association. At the level of the Government of Delhi, the Lt. Governor would have overall responsibility regarding security, law & order and matters pertaining to DDA, and there is a Sub-Committee headed by the Chief Minister of Delhi for other matters falling within the jurisdiction of the State Government in terms of the planning and requirements of upgradation of civic infrastructure, etc. An Empowered Committee has been set up under the Chief Secretary, Government of NCT of Delhi with representatives of all the various agencies/authorities concerned to facilitate speedy and time bound clearances in respect of games related projects. Another Committee has been set up, with Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports as convenor, to deal with issues pertaining to clearances pertaining to Delhi Urban Arts Commission and other central agencies, as may be required.

(c) and (d) The Apex Committee has been constituted with the over-riding power and responsibility for overseeing and coordinating the Commonwealth Games. The minutes of all other Committee related to the conduct of Commonwealth Games, 2010 are to be submitted to the

Apex Committee periodically for its information. The Chairman of the Apex Committee can also call for such information, as he deems fit and give guidance as required. The Organizing Committee for Commonwealth Games, 2010 is responsible for the conduct of the Commonwealth Games. The International Sports Division has been set up to strengthen the Ministry in discharge of its responsibilities regarding the Commonwealth Games, 2010, including the processing of the financial proposals of all the stakeholders and other matters pertaining to coordinating and monitoring, apart from servicing the various Committees set up at the Government level. It will be seen that the various agencies have clear cut areas of responsibilities. They are all working for the common objective of organizing the Commonwealth Games, 2010, in a befitting manner.

Family accommodation to coaches

1017. SHRI THENNALA G. BALAKRISHNA PILLAI: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Family accommodation are not providing to the coaches of various Sports categories and Sports Authorities near to their working areas;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) if not, whether there is any proposal for providing sufficient family accommodations?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) and (b) The Administrative Official and the Coaches posted at different Sports Authority of India (SAI) Regional Centers are provided with the accommodation as per their seniority and subject to availability wherever staff quarters are available such as SAI regional centers, NIS Patiala etc. However, staff quarters are not available for coaches posted under various SAI Sports Promotional Schemes like Sports Training Centre (STC), National Sports Talent Contest (NSTC), Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV) and Army Boys Sports Company etc. run in the premises provided by State Governments, the concerned Schools and Army Unit etc., and SAI has no infrastructure of its own there.